

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Seth Berglee, on January 4, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Seth Berglee, Chair (R)
Rep. Jeff Essmann, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Becky Beard (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Amanda Curtis (D)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Greg Hertz (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary
Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary: Organizational Meeting

Introduction of Committee Members:

00:00:58 Chair Berglee
00:01:32 Rep. Essmann
00:02:12 Rep. Funk
00:02:28 Rep. P. Webb
00:02:52 Rep. B. Bennett
00:03:25 Rep. Anderson
00:04:05 Rep. Price
00:04:43 Rep. Curtis
00:05:15 Rep. Staffanson
00:05:40 Rep. Bachmeier
00:06:03 Rep. Webber
00:06:35 Rep. Vinton
00:07:08 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
00:08:03 Rep. Beard
00:08:26 Rep. Schreiner
00:09:15 Rep. Greef
00:10:27 Chair Berglee
00:10:41 Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary
00:11:14 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:14:49 Chair Berglee

EXHIBIT(edh03a01)

00:21:15 **Motion:** Rep. Anderson moved that **THE COMMITTEE RULES BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

00:21:31 Rep. Greef
00:21:55 Chair Berglee
00:22:04 Rep. Curtis
00:22:16 Chair Berglee

00:22:26 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:22:44 Chair Berglee
00:24:28 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD
00:26:15 Chair Berglee

00:26:24 Recessed
00:36:18 Reconvened

JOINT EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Call to Order: Chair Seth Berglee, on January 4, 2017 at 3:30 PM, in Room 137 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Salomon, Chair (R)
Sen. Moe, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Facey (D)
Sen. Regier (R)
Sen. Tempel (R)
Rep. Seth Berglee, Chair (R)
Rep. Jeff Essmann, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Becky Beard (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Amanda Curtis (D)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Blasdel, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Jones (R)
Sen. McClafferty (D)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary
Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch

00:36:38 Chair Berglee
00:38:10 Chair Salomon

Introductions of Agency staff:

00:38:42 Pete Donovan, Executive Director, Board of Public Education (BPE)

EXHIBIT(edh03a02)

00:42:44 Sen. McClafferty joined the meeting

00:43:34 Clayton Christian, Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

00:45:42 Sen. Blasdel joined the meeting

00:48:00 Sam Forstag, Montana Associated Students (MAS)

00:48:51 Andy Bixler, Montana Associated Students (MAS)

EXHIBIT(edh03a03)

00:49:49 Abigail Belcher, Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM)

00:50:13 Dillon Ecord, Self

00:50:39 Kenzie Lombardi, Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM)

00:51:07 Matt Quist, Student Political Action (SPA)

00:51:36 Clayton Christian, OCHE

00:52:15 Sen. Moe

00:52:36 Clayton Christian, OCHE

00:53:14 Superintendent Elsie Arntzen, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:54:03 Sam Rubino, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:54:39 Kyle Moen, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:55:02 Dylan Klapmeier, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:55:24 Dr. Tim Tharp, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:55:54 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:56:24 Jim Standaert, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:56:47 Superintendent Elsie Arntzen, OPI

00:59:48 Rep. Beard

00:59:55 Superintendent Elsie Arntzen, OPI

01:01:42 Denise Williams, Montana Association of School Business Officials (MASBO)

EXHIBIT(edh03a04)

01:03:43 Marko Ferro, Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

01:05:55 Dianne Burke, Montana Quality Education Coalition (MQEC)

01:07:30 Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

01:10:31 Bob Vogel, Montana School Boards Association, (MTSBA)

EXHIBIT(edh03a05)

01:12:54 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

01:16:34 Bob Story, Montana Taxpayers Association (MTA)

01:17:40 Robert Curry, Montana Digital Academy

01:18:36 Rep. Bachmeier

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:19:18

Jessica Riffel, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([edh03aad.pdf](#))